



OUTREACH

HOOSIER NATIONAL FOREST

BEDFORD, IN

Lands Program Manager GS-1170-11/12

The Hoosier National Forest in southern Indiana will be filling our Forest's Land Program Manager position. This position is located in the Forest Supervisor's / Brownstown District Office, in Bedford, Indiana. The vacancy will be advertised as Realty Specialist GS-1170-11/12 with the target grade at a GS-12 level. The annual salary ranges from \$57,408 – \$89,450.

The Position:

The position will serve as Forest Lands Program Manager for a variety of land ownership activities such as boundary management, land surveys, special uses permits, leases, land status, withdrawals, interagency land transfers, title claims, donations, purchases, exchanges, right of ways, mineral rights, and other partial interests in real estate.

The position oversees a complex lands adjustment program, an active special use program and a small mineral program which consists mainly of caves and karst features. The position supervises 4 employees: two employees located in the Bedford office focus on the land acquisition and surveying programs; and two employees in the Tell City District office focus on the special uses program. This position is part of the Forest Leadership Team and is considered part of the primary staff of the forest.

The Forest: The Hoosier National Forest encompasses over 200,000 acres in South Central Indiana stretching south from Bloomington to the Ohio River. The Forest is located within a two hour drive of Cincinnati, Ohio, Evansville and Indianapolis, Indiana, and Louisville, Kentucky. The Hoosier has land in nine counties starting just south of Bloomington, Indiana and stretching all the way to the Ohio River.

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The Hoosier National Forest sits in the hills of Southern Indiana. The Forest provides a range of opportunities and resources for people to enjoy. The many recreation opportunities including camping, fishing, hiking, horseback riding, hunting, mountain bike riding, and viewing scenery. The only congressionally designated wilderness in Indiana, the 13,000 acre Charles C. Deam Wilderness provides opportunities for users desiring higher levels of solitude. In addition the Forest has over 265 miles of trails for hiking, biking, or horseback riding.

The Hoosier works to provide integrated resource management on the complex mosaic that make up National Forest System Lands in Indiana. Only 31% of the land within the Forest Boundary is National Forest System land, this scattered ownership pattern adds a complexity to the management of this valued natural resource. Forest managers are responsible for protection of some very unique resources. The Hoosier is located in an area rich in caves and karst features. These underground features are largely unknown to most Forest visitors but play home to many species that are specific to these habitats.

The Hoosier has four endangered species: the fanshell mussel and rough pigtoe mussel resides in rivers to the south; the Indiana and grey bat and their habitat occur throughout the Forest. The Wildlife program on the Forest focuses on management to provide habitat for the species above as well and other species that occur through the area.

The Forest works to maintain and restore sustainable ecosystems. The vegetation management on the forest focuses on promoting native oak and hickory regeneration, reducing nonnative pine planted to restore over farmed lands, and reducing nonnative invasive plant and animal species.

The Hoosier National Forest organization is non-traditional with emphasis on placing specialists close to the ground. Certain "staff" functions that traditionally reside in a SO now work in a team environment on the Districts. This serves to broaden district interdisciplinary teams and improve technology transfer, customer service, and quality of stewardship. We view the districts as the backbone of the Forest Service organization and emphasize customer service at that level. Additional information about the Forest may be found at <http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/hoosier>.

The Area:

(Bedford) The Forest Supervisor's Office is co-located with the Brownstown Ranger District Office in Bedford, Indiana. Bedford is a full-service community of approximately 14,000 residents. Bedford has excellent schools, outstanding shopping, cultural amenities, and small town atmosphere. Bedford is in the Eastern time zone.

Eighteen miles north of Bedford is Bloomington, home of Indiana University. In addition, Bedford is within commuting distance of six degree granting institutions. Indianapolis is approximately 70 miles north and is the state capitol. Bedford features a broad-based economy. Major employers are GM Powertrain, Indiana Limestone, Manchester Tank, and Stone City Products. Bedford is known as the "Limestone Capital of the World" because of the abundance and quality of the limestone which has

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been used on many landmark buildings in the US. In addition, Bedford is a major regional health services center, with two hospitals providing comprehensive medical services.

Bedford has five elementary schools, one junior high school, one high school (includes area vocational school) and Bedford City College, which offers adult education and college credit courses.

There is a good selection of housing in the \$80,000 range, with many higher valued homes (\$150,000+) in developments just outside the city. Rentals are available and range from \$350 to \$800 per month.

Local services include over 25 churches of major denominations, a library, two hospitals, motels/hotels, and a variety of banking, shopping facilities, and restaurants. Additional services are found nearby in Bloomington.

Recreational and cultural activities abound in the area. Top quality cultural and sporting events associated with Indiana University are available in Bloomington. Professional summer theater can also be found in Nashville, a charming arts and crafts community.

Area outdoor recreational opportunities include golf, fishing, hiking, hunting, horseback riding, bicycling, camping, canoeing, and swimming. Lake Monroe, the largest lake in Indiana, lies just to the north of Bedford and provides boating, fishing, and water sport opportunities. A seasonal snow ski resort is located approximately 45 minutes south of Bedford.

Additional information on the Bedford community is available at <http://www.bedfordonline.com> or [City Of Bedford, Indiana - Homepage](#) .

Questions: For additional information or questions, please contact:

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If interested in this vacancy, please complete and return the Outreach Response by July 19, 2011.

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Return by July 19, 2011

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email address: _____

Are you currently a Federal employee? Yes _____ No _____

If YES, CURRENT REGION/FOREST/DISTRICT: _____

CURRENT SERIES AND GRADE: _____

CURRENT POSITION TITLE: _____

AGENCY EMPLOYED WITH: _____ USFS _____ BLM _____ OTHER: _____

TYPE OF APPOINTMENT: _____ PERMANENT _____ TEMPORARY _____ TERM
_____ VRA _____ PWD _____ OTHER

IF NOT A CURRENT PERMANENT (CAREER OR CAREER CONDITIONAL) EMPLOYEE, ARE YOU ELIGIBLE TO BE HIRED UNDER ANY OF THE FOLLOWING SPECIAL AUTHORITIES:

_____ PERSON WITH DISABILITIES
_____ VETERANS READJUSTMENT
_____ DISABLED VETERANS W/30% COMPENSABLE DISABILITY
_____ VETERANS EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES ACT OF 1998
_____ FORMER PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEER
_____ STUDENT CAREER EXPERIENCE PROGRAM
_____ OTHER _____

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I will send you an e-mail message when the vacancy announcement is posted

Thank you for your interest in this position.